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DEFEATS EASY DIVORCE

Nevada Senate Kills Six Months' Residence Bill.

Carson City, Nev., Feb. 11.—The "Six Months' Divorce Bill," which had been passed by the Assembly, was defeated in the Senate tonight after an all-night session. The measure lacked one vote of being passed. It repealed the existing law, which requires one year's residence in the State before suit for divorce can be filed, reducing the terms of residence to six months.

The Assembly today passed the bill establishing a Racing Commission. A second bill amending the anti-gambling law was made a special order of business for next Monday. It establishes the pari-mutuel system of betting on horse races.

ITALY TRIES NEW BREAD

King Tests Loaves Containing Rice and Bran.

Rome, Feb. 11.—Two different types of bread are being experimented with here. One contains 12 per cent. of rice and the other the same proportion of bran. King Victor Emmanuel and Premier Salandra tested bread made in each way and found it excellent, they said. It is expected Parliament will be asked to pass a bill authorizing the Government to make the use of such bread compulsory should the necessity arise.

JUDGE O'BRIEN MARRIED

Bellevue Falls Lawyer Weds Miss Melancon, Trained Nurse.

Bellevue Falls, Feb. 11.—Announcements were received here today of the wedding at Balmoral, New Brunswick, on Tuesday last of Judge Thomas E. O'Brien of this place and Miss Eugenie Harline Melancon, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Raphael Melancon of Balmoral. They were married by Rev. Fr. Melancon, a brother of the bride. Following a wedding trip to Montana and other western states they will live in Bellevue Falls.

Attorney O'Brien is judge of the local Municipal court and is one of the best known attorneys in the southern part of the state and has a wide acquaintance in every part of Vermont. He is prominent in republican politics and has toured the state many times in the interest of republican candidates for office.

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GERMAN CIVIL COURTS.

Mode of Procedure Where Commercial Cases Are Tried.

The "Handelsgericht," or commercial court, is presided over by one judge and two laymen known as "handelsrichter"—commercial judges nominated by the government. Any German is eligible who is registered as a merchant, thirty years old, and otherwise qualified as specially provided by law. Only commercial cases are sent to this department upon motion of either party. I witnessed a trial between merchants and was much pleased with the speedy method of determining the case.

Instead of submitting technical business questions to a jury, who in all probability never heard of the like before, and then offering the testimony of experts on each side of the case, which often has a tendency to confuse the jury rather than to enlighten them, the German commercial judges possess personal experience in business and skill in affairs of commerce of the greatest value in arriving at correct conclusions. Besides, the procedure, as a rule, is brief and to the point and causes little delay to the litigants. So far as I could observe, this system worked very satisfactorily. —Fred H. Peterson in Case and Comment.

THE MAN WHO LAUGHS.

The Reason He Does So From the Physical Point of View.

Laughter is an involuntary response of certain muscles to a communication from nerves controlling their action. We laugh because we receive an impression through our sensory nerves that causes a demonstration from the muscles which express mirth. The vigor or heartiness of laughter depends upon the susceptibility of the brain to what is received through the sensory nerves.

They get the impression in three ways—from something we see, feel or hear—and send it along to the nerve center. From there it is sent along other nerves connected with certain muscles or glands and excites them to activity.

The nerves are like so many electric wires, and the sensory nerves act as a battery, by means of which the electric currents of life are transmitted. The muscles have the power to express the state of gladness, indicated by laughter, according to the positiveness of the impressions passed along the nerves which operate them. You laugh less heartily the second time you hear a funny story because the impression is less positive. —Rocky Mountain News.

A Book That Wasn't Published.

A singular plan for honoring heroes was proposed in 1832, if we may credit the following footnote to "La Typographie," a poem by Le Pelletier, published in that year at Geneva: "In February last several newspapers announced that the largest book ever printed will shortly appear in London under the title 'The Pantheon of English Heroes.' The pages of this book will be twelve feet long and two feet wide and the letters six inches high. It has been found necessary to erect special machinery for the manufacture of the paper required. This gigantic work will be printed by steam in characters of gold, no ordinary printing ink being used in the process. Only a hundred copies will be issued, and these will serve to adorn the principal libraries in England." You will not find that book in any public or private library.

Pearls.

The use and popularity of pearls date back to about 300 B. C., but they were known to yet older peoples, and especially to those of the east. The Chinese records go still farther back, and oyster pearls were received as tribute in the twenty-third century B. C. It is probable that they were found in the waters of Ceylon and India 2,000 years ago, and the Greeks of course both knew and recognized the value of the pearl. But it was not until the Roman empire was beginning to rise that the knowledge of the value of the pearl became general.

Unfortunate Namur.

From the tenth century to 1421 Namur was the capital of a dukedom, but was merged in the Netherlands in 1421. It was captured in 1692 by Marshal Vauban in the Netherlands war and three years later by William of Orange. Again in 1746 the French General Clermont took it, and it was taken from the French by Joseph II. In 1794, but restored again later. In 1815 it was defended with great bravery in the Waterloo campaign. —London Answers.

Interrogating a Reformer.

"I shall leave politics a poorer man than when I first accepted office," said the patriot.

"Excuse me," responded the friend, who is a little hard of hearing. "Did you say 'poorer' or 'purer'?" —Washington Star.

Easy.

"I wish I knew how to get rid of trouble." "I'll help you out. I know a fellow who's always looking for it!" —Judge.

Alligators' Teeth.

Ivory from alligators' teeth is as rich in line as and has a brighter luster than the best tusks that ever came from an African elephant.

There is work on God's wide earth for all men that he has made with hands and hearts. —Carlyle.

BENNINGTON BRIEFS

News of the Town and Village Told Briefly for Busy Readers

18 bananas for 25c at Estes' market. Adv. 10012

Walter C. Houran of Springfield, Mass., is visiting at his home here.

For good shoes, rubbers, rubber boots and arctics at lowest prices visit the New York stores sale. Adv.

Valentine dance at the Young Woman's club this evening. Dancing from 8.30 to 11.30. Admission 25 cents. A buffet lunch will be served.

The Methodist church bowlers scored three points from the Braves on the Y. M. C. A. alleys last night, the former team bowling 2241 pins while the latter bowled 2212.

Dandelions, beets, spinach, kale, curly and head lettuce, celery, tomatoes, radishes, new turnips, wax beans, ripe pineapples, etc., at Estes' market. Adv. 10012

It is always worth while to read the "adv." in The Banner. Watch out for the statements of the no-license committee. See the new one today with more facts for the voter.

Anyone wishing to help with war relief sewing may call for garments which are cut and at the library. These garments when finished are sent to hospitals on the French firing line and are very much needed.

The Pirates vs the Big Mill, a postponed game will be bowled today at the Y. The schedule for next week on the Y alleys will be as follows: Monday, Baptist church vs. Big Mill; Tuesday, Elks vs. Hillside; Wednesday, Baptist church vs. Pirates; Thursday, Congregational church vs. Cubs; Friday, Baptist church vs. Braves.

The First Baptist church will conduct public worship at 10.30 a. m. tomorrow with a sermon by the pastor, Rev. Wm. F. Meyer. The subject will be "The Law of the Spiritual World." At the noon hour the Bible school will meet with classes for all ages. The Men's class invites all men over eighteen years to meet with it for the study of great religious principles and problems. The C. E. society will meet at 6.30 p. m. and the church will meet in the Methodist union service in the evening when Rev. Clifford H. Smith of Burlington will speak. A cordial invitation is extended to all to meet with us.

The men's supper served in the Baptist church last evening under the auspices of the Men's Bible class of the church was attended by fifty men. The supper was prepared by Mrs. John Paulson and Mrs. T. A. Davenport, and was commended by all present. The American flag was in evidence as was also a portrait of Abraham Lincoln and a large pulpit Bible each having for its setting and back ground the folds of the stars and stripes. After the supper was over the toastmaster of the occasion, James R. Lovett, was introduced and in humorous fashion called for the following toasts: "Our Class—Past and Present," by Reuben H. Galusha; "Our Class—Its Social Side," by Asa F. Loomis; "Our Class—Helping the Community," by Dr. F. S. Pratt; "Our Class—Getting New Members," by Benjamin Lewis; "Our Class—Its Future," by Rev. W. F. Meyer. Each of these toasts was well received and the occasion was pronounced a success. The personal experiences of Doc Miller in hunting for bears and cornering woodchucks, and vice versa added a merry climax to an altogether enjoyable evening. The committee in charge was Messrs. Reuben Galusha, Asa F. Loomis, Chas. Dyer, and H. W. Myers.

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BENNINGTON BUSINESS MEN

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Remarkable Agreement

One of our citizens recently spent an afternoon interviewing representative business men on "No-License." He went into stores and shops on and about Main street, and asked these two questions: (1) Has No-License helped or hurt your business? (2) What do you think of the conditions in town this year compared with conditions under license?

Of twenty interviews all but two were not only favorable to No-License, but positively and enthusiastically favorable. Of these two exceptions one said he hadn't paid much attention to the matter and wasn't prepared to give an opinion. The other said that the first month under No-License his business dropped off, contrary to his expectations, and he couldn't account for it.

But read these opinions. We quote some sample ones out of the eighteen:—

"No-license a great benefit to me. Families bought more and paid for what they got. Don't see drunks on the street, or loafers on the corner as formerly."

"I had been for license, but it doesn't work. If we had had license this year our business depression would have been a great deal worse. A good many won't take the trouble to cross the line who would spend their money in the saloons here."

"Business fully as good as last year. Used to be disagreeable about my store on Saturday nights. Haven't seen that this year."

"No-license has cleaned up the town. My own business is better."

"Until last year always voted 'yes'. Nothing could hire me to vote that way now. I am for no-license."

"Has helped business. Have had pretty good year, although business conditions in town have not been normal. Sure it would have been much worse under license. But what impresses me most is the improvement in certain men who have become self-respecting and can do a good day's work now."

"Not a strict temperance man myself. But this little town is a great deal better off. Business is better. Couldn't help being."

"Of course conditions are better. No fight for the man who wants to drink—if he wants to kill himself, that's no business of mine. But I tell you I hate to see boys starting in. Let's make the stuff hard for the boys to get at."

We have in our notebook many more words like these. If a wider canvass were made, about the same percentage of those in favor of no-license would remain.

If the great majority of the business men have their way, Bennington will remain as it is.

The saloon hurts business—hurts badly in the long run any legitimate and honorable trade. Bennington business men know this, and they are going to vote against the saloon.

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STATE COURT, C. O. F., MEETS

Division of Jurisdiction into Several Organization Districts Considered

Waterbury, Feb. 10.—A semi-annual meeting of the Vermont State Court, Catholic Order of Foresters, was held here yesterday with all the officers present excepting the Rev. T. M. Aubin, state spiritual director of Swanton. Those present were Dr. J. D. Bachand, of St. Johnsbury, state chief ranger; N. E. L'Euyer, of St. Albans, state vice chief ranger; W. H. Driscoll, of St. Albans, state secretary; F. W. Sault, of St. Albans, state treasurer; and Jules Simms, of Burlington; P. H. Satterton, of Newport; the Rev. J. B. E. Pouliot, of Essex Junction; Edmond LaFranchise, of Bennington; and M. W. Ryan, of Northfield, state directors. The reports of the several deputy high chief rangers were read and acted upon. These reports show the order to be in an excellent condition in this state. Reports of the several state officers were received.

The state court is considering the matter of dividing the jurisdiction into several organization districts with a state court officer at the head of each.

Resolutions were passed upon the death of the Rev. D. E. Coffey, of this parish, a former officer in the state court.

During a recess in the afternoon, upon invitation, the visitors were shown through the state hospital for the insane by Dr. Don D. Groat, the superintendent.

In the evening at St. Andrew's par-

ish hall a meeting of the local court was held and several new members were initiated, the degree work being exemplified by members of the state court.

An excellent banquet was served after the meeting which was attended by about 200 people, including many visitors from the courts of J. B. E. Pouliot, and W. H. Driscoll, Montpelier, Barre, and Northfield. An excellent musical program was given by local talent.

Charles E. Theriault of Montpelier, the deputy of St. Andrew's court, acted as toastmaster. Among those who addressed the meeting were the Rev. Robert Devoy, the parish priest, Simeon Viger, of Lawrence, Mass., vice high chief ranger; Dr. J. D. Bachand, N. E. L'Euyer, the Rev. J. B. E. Pouliot, and W. H. Driscoll. An excellent musical program was given by local talent.

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